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# ZORRO



Zorro  
stands alone  
against  
THE PANDELL'S  
BAND



Let us go back to the early days of Spanish California when a man in black rides for law and justice. Feared and respected from Monterey to San Diego, this man is a friend to the innocent and poor . . . enemy to outlaws and men of greed . . .

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## THE EAGLE'S BROOD

**ZORRO!**...DRESSED IN A BLACK COSTUME, WITH HIS CAPE FLYING AND HIS SWORD FLICKING, HE RIDES ACROSS THE COUNTRYSIDE ON HIS POWERFUL STALLION, TORONDO, FIGHTING AGAINST EVIL...



MAN OF COURAGE... MAN OF MYSTERY... **ZORRO!**

ONLY BENITO, THE TRUSTED MUTE, KNOWS THE TRUE IDENTITY OF THE MAN CONCEALED BEHIND THE BLACK MASK...



TO ALL OTHERS, THIS MAN IS DON ALFREDO DE LA VEGA, SON OF A RESPECTED AND INFLUENTIAL LANDOWNER!



GREEDY MEN ARE ZORRO'S ENEMIES, AND AT THIS VERY MOMENT, IN THE LITTLE SEASIDE TOWN OF MONTEREY, SINISTER PLANS ARE IN THE AIR...

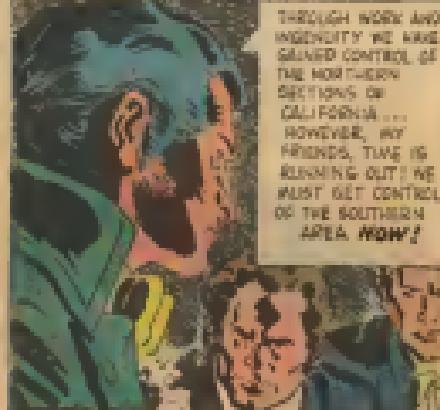


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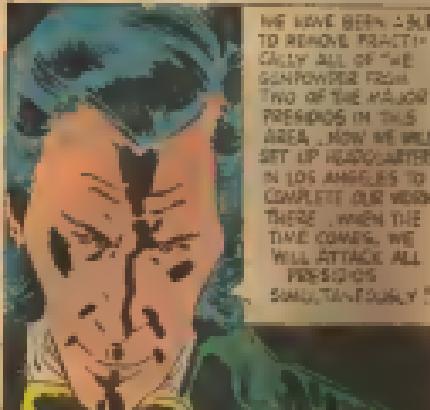


ONE OF ROBBIE'S  
MOST FEROCIOUS  
ENEMIES, A SHREWD  
CRIMINAL KNOWN AS  
"THE EAGLE,  
HOLDS COURT IN AN  
UNDERGROUND  
DUNGEON...

I HAVE CALLED YOU HERE FOR REASONS THAT ARE VITAL  
TO ALL OF US! THE FATE OF CALIFORNIA HANGS IN THE  
BALANCE, AND IT IS WITHIN OUR DESTINY TO TURN THE  
TIDE ONE WAY OR THE OTHER!



THROUGH WORK AND  
INDUSTRY WE HAVE  
SECURED CONTROL OF  
THE NORTHERN  
SECTIONS OF  
CALIFORNIA . . .  
HOWEVER, MY  
FRIENDS, TIME IS  
RUNNING OUT! WE  
MUST SECURE  
CONTROL OF THE SOUTHERN  
AREA NOW!



WE HAVE BEEN SLOW  
TO REMOVE FACTORY  
CITYS ALL OF THE  
COMPTONERS FROM  
TWO OF THE MAJOR  
TERRITORIES IN THIS  
AREA. NOW WE WILL  
SET UP HEADQUARTERS  
IN LOS ANGELES TO  
COMPLETE OUR WORK  
HERE. WHEN THE  
TIME COMES, WE  
WILL ATTACK ALL  
PRESENCE  
SIMULTANEOUSLY!



MR. SENOR GUINTIJA  
AND PUENTES WILL MOVE  
TO LOS ANGELES TO ASSIST  
IN THE WORK THERE. YOU  
WILL BE CONTACTED BY  
ONE OF OUR PEOPLE!



BUT SENOR EAGLE . . . IS IT NOT  
IMPERATIVE TO  
SET UP OUR  
OPERATIONS  
IN LOS ANGELES?

YOU QUESTION  
THE WISDOM OF  
YOUR LEADERS?

IT IS ONLY THAT LOS  
ANGELES IS PLACED BY  
THE MAIN HIGHWAY DOWN  
TIME AND AGAIN HE HAS  
RUINED OUR PLANS!

I AM SICK AND TIRED OF  
HEARING ABOUT ZORRO! WE  
HAVE A CHANCE TO  
CHANGE THE COURSE OF  
HISTORY! POWERFUL  
COUNTRIES WILL PAY  
MILLIONS OF PEASOS  
IF WE CAN DELIVER  
CALIFORNIA TO THEM!



THE EAGLE REMOVES A STEEL-TIPPED  
FEATHER FROM HIS JACKET AND DROPS  
IT ON THE TABLE.



YOU ALL WELL KNOW  
WHAT HAPPENS TO  
THOSE WHO STAND  
IN OUR WAY... FOR  
THOSE OF YOU WHO  
MAY HAVE FORGOTTEN,  
I REMIND YOU OF MY  
SIGN...



IF ZORRO ATTEMPTS TO OPPOSE OUR WORD,  
HE TOO WILL BE MARKED FOR DEATH!



A FEW DAYS LATER, AT THE PUEBLO DE  
LOS ANGELES...

SERGEANT GARCIA, I  
HAVE JUST RECEIVED ORDERS SENDING ME  
TO SAN PEDRO FOR TEMPORARY DUTY! YOU  
MUST once again assume duties as  
ACTING COMMANDANTE HERE!



DO NOT TAKE THIS RESPONSIBILITY LIGHTLY!  
I HAVE RECEIVED WORD THAT A SAVAGE  
OF STOLEN GUNPOWDER  
MAY BE HEADED FOR  
LOS ANGELES!

STOLEN GUN-  
POWDER? WHO DID  
WE STEAL IT FROM,  
CAPTAIN?



WE DID NOT STEAL IT,  
FOOL! IT WAS STOLEN  
FROM US! DO YOU  
REALIZE WHAT THIS  
MEANS?

SIR! WHY IT  
MEANS THAT...  
IT... WHAT  
DOES IT  
MEAN?

CALIFORNIA HAS A MERE HUNDRED  
OF SOLDIERS! WE HAVE GUARDED  
WITHOUT PURPOSE! IF WE WERE  
ATTACKED BY ENEMIES OF THE  
KING, IT WOULD BE DISASTROUS!  
IN YOUR ENTIRE LIFE YOU ARE  
TO DO ONE THING RIGHT, NOW  
IS THE TIME!

SIR,  
CAPTAIN  
WHAT  
ONE  
THING  
DID YOU  
HAVE IN  
MIND?



SOMEHOW, BY SOME MIRACLE,  
I WISH YOU COULD SECURE  
THAT BAG OF GUNPOWDER  
IF IT COMES THIS WAY... FROM  
THE PASS, YOU CAN SEE  
FROM THE COAST TO EL  
CAMINO REAL...

SIR, CAPTAIN!  
I WILL STATION  
A MAN ON THE  
PASS AND  
SEARCH ALL  
VEHICLES  
ENTERING  
OUR AREA!

I MUST SAY GOOD-BYE  
TO MY WIFE NOW...  
YOU ARE DISMISSED!

SIR, CAPTAIN...



LATER, AS THE  
COWBOY ARRIVES  
TO TAKE THE  
COMMANDANTE  
TO SAN DIEGO,  
DON DIEGO IS  
ASKED A LAST  
MINUTE FAVOR...

YOU ARE THE ONE MAN I CAN TRUST DIEGO... I WOULD LIKE  
YOU TO LOOK AFTER MY WIFE. SHE HAS BEEN DISCONTENT  
LATELY AND PERHAPS YOU CAN ELEVATE HER UP WHILE I AM  
GONE!

I WILL  
DO MY BEST,  
CAPTAIN  
TOLLEGANDO!



THE COMANDANTE PREPARES TO BOARD THE COACH, UNAWARE THAT THE TWO PASSENGERS DISMISSED ARE MEMBERS OF A CRIMINAL GANG...

REMEMBER OUR DISCUSSION, GARCIA...LET NOTHING TURN YOU FROM THE PATH OF DUTY!

I WILL TAKE CARE OF EVERYTHING, CAPITAN!



AS THE COACH MOVES OUT OF THE PUEBLO GATES

ONE MOMENTO, SENORES?



AS ACTING COMANDANTE HERE, I MUST INSPECT YOUR LUGGAGE, CORPORAL REYES, DO YOUR DUTY!

WHAT IS THE MEANTING OF THIS?

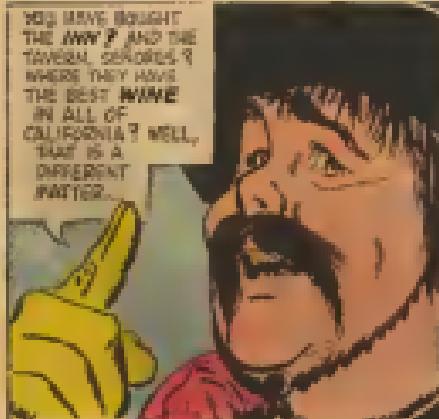


I HAVE MY ORDERS, SENOR...WHAT ARE YOUR NAMES?

CALIFORNIA QUINTANA! RECENTLY OF RONTELLY! THIS IS MY FRIEND, ENRICO RUIZ! WE HAVE JUST PURCHASED THE INN AND HAVE COME TO TAKE CHARGE!

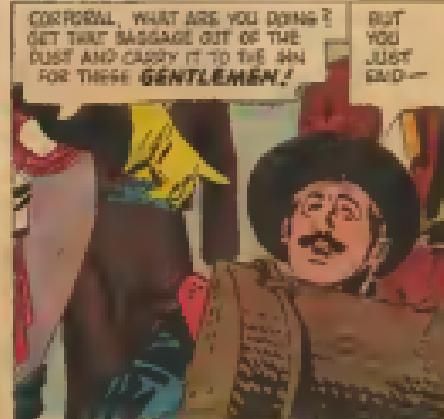


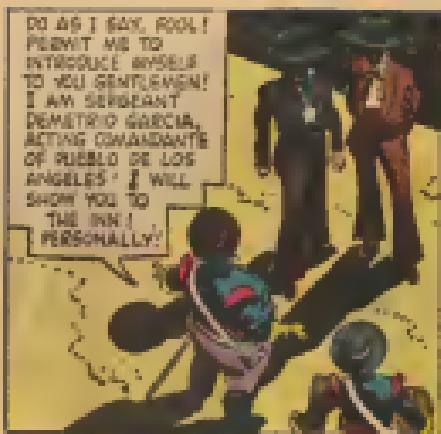
YOU HAVE BOUGHT THE INN? AND THE TANDEM, GEORGE? WHERE THEY HAVE THE BEST INN IN ALL OF CALIFORNIA? WELL, THAT IS A DIFFERENT MATTER...



CORPORAL, WHAT ARE YOU DOING? GET THAT MESSAGE OUT OF THE DUST AND CARRY IT TO THE INN FOR THESE GENTLEMEN!

BUT YOU JUST END—





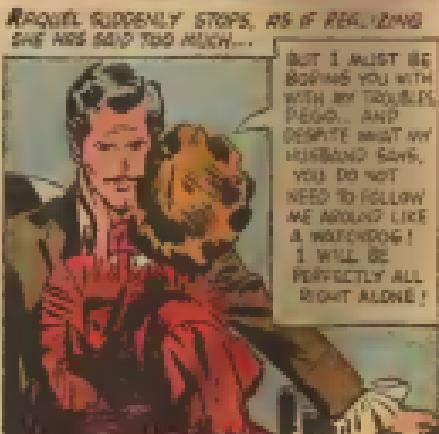
QUINTANA UNDERSTANDS GARCIA'S SUDDEN FRIENDLINESS AND SMILES...



IN THE QUARTERS OF RAQUEL, THE COMMANDANTS WIFE...



BUT WHAT ABOUT ME? DO YOU NOT SEE I AM ENTITLED TO MORE THAN A GARRISON WOMAN?



I KNOW, SEÑORA...  
BUT THE CAPTAIN  
ASKED ME TO —

SEÑORA! A MESSAGE  
FOR THE COMANDANTE!  
IT IS MOST URGENT!

MY HUSBAND HAS  
ALREADY LEFT FOR  
SAN DIEGO — THIS  
MESSAGE WILL HAVE  
TO GO TO THE ACTING  
COMANDANTE!

I SEE SERGEANT  
GARCIA GO INTO THE  
TAVERNS, SEÑORA...  
I WILL GET HIM FOR  
YOU!



MOMENTS AFTER DIEGO AND THE COORDINE  
HAVE LEFT THE ROOM...

PERHAPS I HAD  
BETTER MAKE CERTAIN JUST  
WHAT THIS MESSAGE CONCERN'S...



ROQUEL READS THE MESSAGE, CRUMPLES IT,  
THEN RUSHES TO THE DESK TO WRITE A NEW  
ONE...



DO THEY KNOW  
ABOUT THE  
GUNPOWDER, NELL?  
PERHAPS THIS  
MILL KEEP THAT  
FOOL SERGEANT  
FROM  
INTERFERING...

SHORTLY, SERGEANT GARCIA READS THE  
SUBSTITUTED MESSAGE...

GOOD NEWS,  
SERGEANT!

SIR, DON DIEGO! THEY HAVE  
FOUND THE MISSING GUN-  
POWDER THAT WAS TO BE  
SMUGGLED INTO LOS  
ANGELES!

NOW I WILL NOT HAVE TO  
SEARCH ALL THE UNKNOWN  
VEHICLES! IT IS SUCH A  
RELIEF TO KNOW —

YOU MEAN  
THAT MESSAGE  
ORDERS YOU  
TO STOP ALL  
INSPECTIONS?

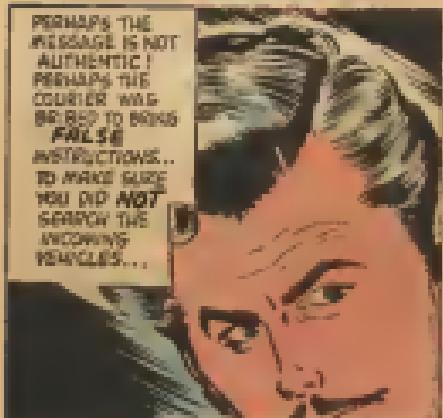




SUSPICIOUS, DIEGO COMPARES THE LETTER  
WITH THE ENVELOPE... .

IT SEEMS STRANGE THAT THE INK ON THE  
LETTER IS A DIFFERENT COLOR THAN ON  
THE ENVELOPE... . AND  
IN A DIFFERENT  
HANDWRITING !

I DO NOT  
UNDERSTAND...



IT IS JUST A WILD  
THOUGHT, SERGEANT  
GARCIA... BUT IT IS  
POSSIBLE !

SI... PERHAPS IT IS  
SOMETHING I SHOULD  
CONSIDER ! I AM GLAD  
I NOTICED THAT !



LATER, DIEGO ENTERS HIS SECRET HIDE-OUT  
WHERE HIS FRIEND, BERNARDO, IS WAITING...

UNABLE TO SPEAK, BERNARDO GESTURES HIS  
WORDS...

YES, MY FRIEND, IT IS WHAT WE  
HAVE SUSPECTED ALL ALONG ! ENEMIES OF  
THE KING MAY BE ATTEMPTING TO SHIP  
CONFIDENTIAL INTO  
LOS ANGELES...



DIEGO BEGINS TO CHANGE HIS CLOTHING...



SO IT LOOKS  
AS IF THIS IS  
A JOB FOR  
ZORRO!



SOMETIME LATER, ON A HIGH LEDGE OVERLOOKING THE PASS ROAD...



THEN, TWO HOURS LATER...



ZORRO!

WHY IS IT YOU  
NEED AN  
ARMED GUARD  
FOR A LOAD  
OF HAY,  
SEÑOR?

WE ONLY PROTECT OURSELVES,  
SEÑOR ZORRO! THIS ROAD  
MAY HIDE OUTLAWS WHO  
PREY ON POOR  
BONCHEROS...

OR MAYBE  
YOU HAVE  
SOMETHING  
UNDESIRABLE  
THAT MAY...

YOU ARE WELCOME  
TO INSPECT THE  
HAY, SEÑOR  
ZORRO

THAT IS JUST WHAT  
I PLAN TO DO!



ON THE HILLTOP, BERNARDO SPOTS THE MAN  
AT THE REAR OF THE WAGON...



ZORRO RIDES TORNADO AROUND, SEARCHING FOR  
A COILED HEMP ON HIS SADDLE HE FOENTES  
RAISES HIS MUSKET...



ZORRO'S OWN STROKES OUT AND THE HEMP COILS AROUND THE MUSKET...



SUDDENLY, ON THE ROAD COMING FROM LOS ANGELES...



THE MUSKET IS JERKED INTO THE AIR AND ZORRO CATCHES IT IN ONE HAND...



WITH THE ARRIVAL OF GARCIA, ZORRO IS FORCED TO FLEE...



AH-HA! WHAT HAVE WE HERE?

AS YOU CAN FLICKLY SEE,  
SERGEANT GARCIA, THEY ARE JUST KIDS OF NINE  
FOR OUR TEVERE!



GARCIA DOES NOT SEE THROUGH THE OBVIOUS LIE...

THEN IT IS A GOOD THING WE CAME ALONG JUST NOW! DO NOT WORRY, MY FRIEND! MY SOLDIERS WILL ESCORT YOU PERSONALLY INTO LOS ANGELES!



SALVADOR QUINTANA  
IS ASTONISHED SOME  
HOURS LATER TO  
SEE THE SMUGGLED  
GUNPOWDER ARRIVE  
WITH A MILITARY  
ESCAPE...

BUELOS DIAS,  
SERGEANT  
QUINTANA !

WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS? WHY ARE YOU  
BRINGING A LOAD OF ARMY TO MY INN?

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IT IS ALL RIGHT, ARY PARTNER!...  
THE SERGEANT HAS FINELY PROVIDED  
US WITH A MILITARY ESCORT FOR  
OUR NEEDS OF WINE! WE WERE  
ATTACKED BY ZOGOS AND THE  
KIND SERGEANT HELPED US!

ABA,  
I  
SEE...

WE ARE  
GRATEFUL  
TO YOU,  
SERGEANT  
...THANK  
YOU!

WE WILL HELP YOU UNLOAD  
YOUR CARGO, SERGE...  
PERHAPS THEN WE MIGHT  
SAMPLE THE FLAVOR OF  
THIS FINE WINE...



REALIZING THE DRINGER, QUINTANA THANKS  
QUICKLY...

IE, SERGE! BUT WHY DON'T YOU  
AND YOUR MEN GO IN AND RELAX  
...AS MY GUESTS! DRINK  
WHATEVER YOU LIKE!

SI,  
PUSCAS  
GRACIAS...

AS THE MEN ENTER THE INN...

WHAT'S THE IDEA  
OF BURPING INTO  
ME, YOU...

WE CANNOT HEAR YOU,  
REGUSA! THIS IS  
BERNARDO, THE  
DEAF-MUTE!



BERNARDO STARTS PAST THE MEN AT THE  
HAY WAGON...

I'VE GOT EVERYTHING  
SET UP SO WE CAN  
UNLOAD THE KEGS  
IMMEDIATELY... LET'S  
GET TO —

Silence!

DO NOT WORRY  
ABOUT HIM! HE  
IS DEAF AND  
DUMB... COME,  
LET ME GET THE  
CONFEDERATE KEGS  
INTO THE WINE  
CELLAR!

BERNARDO ISN'T THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN HEAR!  
ONLY ZORRO IS PHASE OF THIS...

BERNARDO'S SIGNAL!  
THAT MEANS THEY  
ARE READY TO  
UNLOAD THE KEGS!

BRING THE CART UP  
CLOSE TO THE WAGON,  
BERNARDO! WE MUST  
WORK FAST!

ZORRO ENTERS THE WINE CELLAR WHERE THE KEGS ARE BEING UNLOADED...

WHAT SHALL I DO  
WITH THESE KEGS?

LEAVE THEM AT THE  
BOTTOM OF THE STAIRS!  
WE CAN PUT THEM  
WHERE WE WANT  
LATER!





AS FAST AS THE KEGS COME DOWN THE CHATE,  
ZORRO CATCHES THEM AND LIFTS THEM UP TO  
BERNARDO...

QUICKLY, ZORRO HANNS THE FIRST KEG UP TO  
THE WAITING BERNARDO...



WHERE THEY ARE STOVED ON THE SMALL CART...



MINUTES LATER, THE TRICK IS DISCOVERED...



THE MEN ARE BEWILDERED UNTIL THEY SEE  
THE SIGN ETCHED ON THE FLOOR WITH  
SWORD POINT...

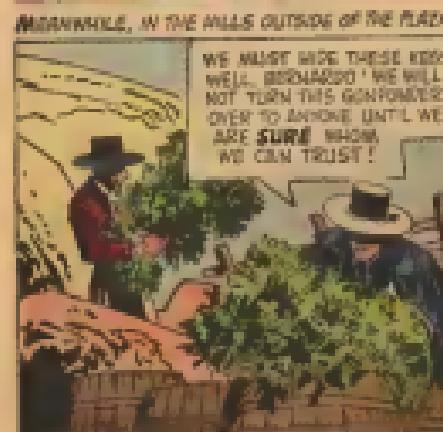


EARLY THE NEXT  
MORNING,  
QUINTANA AND  
PONTEZ RECEIVE  
A VISITOR  
AT THE INN...



RACHEL PRODUCES A STEEL TIPPED SKEWER...





ZORRO LOOKS AND SEES THE SEARCHING PARTY LED BY SERGEANT GARCIA...



GARCIA AND HIS MEN ARE LEAD INTO TORNADO...



GARCIA BECOMES MORE AND MORE INSULTED AS THE HORSE LEADS HIM A MERRY CHASE...



THE JEALOUS SERGEANT STARTS BACK FOR THE PRESIDIO WITH HIS PEONS...



BUT FINALLY...



WHILE UP ON THE MALL...

SOMETHING MUST HAVE HAPPENED! TORNADO WOULD HAVE BEEN BACK BY NOW - STAY HERE AND GUARD THE KIDS, BERNARDO - I WILL SEE WHAT HAS GONE ON!



LATER... DON DIEGO,  
NO LONGER AWARE  
HIS DISGUISE, DRIVES  
THE CART INTO THE  
QUARTERED HORSES...

SERGANT DIAS, SERGEANT  
CASTILLO: WHERE DID YOU  
GET THE BEAUTIFUL HORSE?

I WILL TELL YOU A SECRET, DON  
DIEGO... THIS IS REALLY ZORRO'S  
HORSE!



BUT YOU MUST KEEP  
IT A SECRET! IT IS  
PART OF MY PLAN TO  
TRAP ZORRO!

WHAT A CLEVER  
IDEA, SERGEANT!  
YOU MAY REST  
ASSURED I WILL  
TELL NO ONE!

ZORRO RESPONDS TO HIS MISTRESS'S  
PRESENCE AND DIEGO TRIES TO EXPLAIN  
THE HORSE TO CALM DOWN...



AT THE WINDOW OF THE COMENDANTE'S OFFICE,  
FLUENTES ALSO WATCHES DIEGO...

THAT'S STRANGE  
THAT THEY BE ZORRO'S  
HORSE — BUT HE ACTS  
AS IF YOUNG DON  
DIEGO IS HIS  
MASTER!



DIEGO SEEMED TO  
BE SIGNALING THE  
HORSE. IS IT  
POSSIBLE DIEGO IS  
REALLY ZORRO?

AT ONE TIME OR  
ANOTHER, EVERY STUPID  
PERSON IN THE PUEBLO  
HAS SUGGESTED THAT:  
DON'T ADD TO THE LIST!



LATER...

I DON'T  
CARE WHAT THE  
SPYRONA SAYS, QUINNARNA  
— I HAVE A STRONG  
SUSPICION THAT DON  
DIEGO COULD  
BE ZORRO !

DIEGO'S FATHER  
HAS TOO MUCH  
INFLUENCE... WE  
WOULD BE RUN  
OUT OF LOS  
ANGELES IF WE  
ACCUSED HIM ON THESE  
SUSPICION !

PERHAPS THERE IS A  
WAY TO FIND OUT FOR  
CERTAIN... AND SATISFY  
BOTH OF YOU ! AT ANY  
RATE, IT WILL GET  
DIEGO OUT OF THE WAY  
TEMPORARILY ; HE  
WATCHES ME LIKE A  
HAWK BECAUSE HE MADE  
TO MY HUSBAND !



OUR STUPID FRIEND,  
GARCIA, WILL ONGE  
MORE HELP'EE'S.  
I'LL LET YOU KNOW  
LATER WHAT YOU  
MUST DO !



RACHEL LOCATES GARCIA IN THE COMMANDANT'S  
OFFICE...

YOU SUGGEST  
THAT I ARREST AN INNOCENT  
MAN AND PUT HIM IN JAIL ?

DON'T YOU  
SEE, THEN,  
THE REAL  
ZORRO WILL

SHOW UP AND LET HIM OUT ?  
HE HAS DONE IT MANY TIMES  
BEFORE, SERGEANT !



BUT I ALREADY  
HAVE ONE PLAN  
TO CAPTURE ZORRO  
... IF I HAD TWO,  
I MIGHT GET  
WICKED UP !

THERE IS A BETTER PLAN !  
ZORRO WOULD CERTAINLY  
RESCUE A HORSE ! BEFORE  
A HORSE ! YOU WILL BE  
ABLE TO CLAIM THE  
REWARD AND PROBABLY  
GET A PROMOTION !

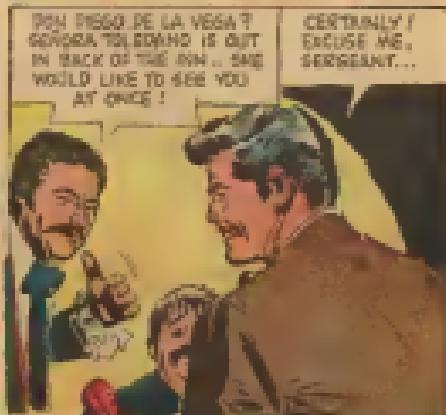
PUT WHAT  
INNOCENT  
MAN  
COULD I  
ARREST ?

SOMEONE OVER SIX FEET TALL !  
SOMEONE WITH A TIN HORN  
AND PLUMAGE ENOUGH TO  
HAVE AROUND THE WAIST...





THAT EVENING, ACCORDING TO RAQUEL'S PLAN, SARTORI INVITES DON DIEGO TO DINE WITH HIM AT THE INN...



PIEGO STEPS OUT IN BACK OF THE INN AND SUDDENLY...

ACCORDING TO PLAN, PIEGO IS DRESSED IN A COSTUME SIMILAR TO ZORROS...





**LATER THAT EVENING, IN THE GUARD HOUSE...**

I CANNOT BELIEVE YOU  
WOULD PLOT AGAINST ME  
LIKE THIS, SERGEANT  
GARCIA! I HAD THOUGHT  
YOU WERE MY FRIEND!

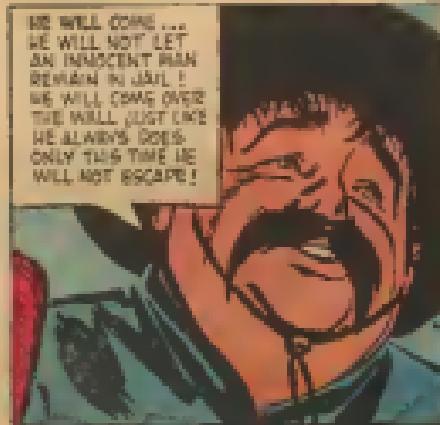
DO NOT BE SO  
UPSET, DON  
DIEGO... I DO  
NOT THINK YOU  
ARE REALLY  
ZORRO!

THIS IS ONLY A PLAN TO  
CAPTURE THE REAL ZORRO.  
WE WILL SHOW UP TO LET  
YOU DISE AND WE WILL  
CAPTURE HIM! SERORA  
TOLEDO AND HERSELF  
HELPED ME WORK  
OUT THE PLAN!

THE SERORA  
SEEMS QUITE  
INTERESTED  
IN MANY  
THINGS THESE  
DAYS! AND  
WHAT IF ZORRO  
DOES NOT SHOW UP?



HE WILL COME...  
HE WILL NOT LET  
AN INNOCENT MAN  
REMAIN IN JAIL!  
HE WILL COME OVER  
THE WALL JUST LIKE  
HE ALWAYS DOES.  
ONLY THIS TIME HE  
WILL NOT ESCAPE!



NOW I'M IN A  
REAL PR... AND  
THERE'S NO WAY  
TO CONTACT  
BERNARDO... I  
WONDER HOW  
TILL GET OUT  
OF THIS S



THE NIGHT  
WINDS ON  
AND THE  
GUARDS  
BARTING  
TORNADO'S  
MISTRESS  
BEGIN TO  
TAKE --  
ONE BY  
ONE THEY  
RELAX  
THEIR GUARD...



OUTSIDE DIEGO'S CELL, SPACIO HAS  
ALREADY FALLEN ASLEEP...



TORNADO RESPONDS TO THE LOW WHISTLE,  
UNLACES HIS BOOTS AND TROTS SLOWLY TO  
THE CELL...

DIEGO MOVES TO THE CELL DOOR AND WHISTLES  
SOFTLY...



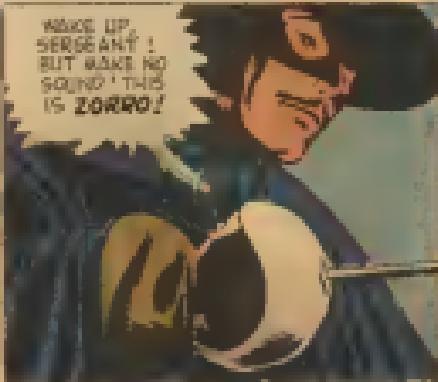
TORNADO OBEYS DIEGO'S INTRICATE HAND  
SHRUGS AND LIFTS THE KEY RING FROM  
GATTIN'S CHAVE...



DIEGO UNLOCKS THE CELL AND MOVES  
QUIETLY INTO THE MOONLIT ROAD...



QUICKLY HE UNLOCKS GARCIA'S SWORD FROM  
ITS SCABBARD AND THEN...



I HAVE RELEASED  
DON DIEGO FROM HIS  
CELL... PERMITTED  
HIM TO ESCAPE!

BUT HOW... MY  
GUARDS... THEY  
WERE SUPPOSED  
TO CAPTURE YOU!



NEVER MIND NOW — I WANT  
YOU TO LISTEN CLOSELY!  
THERE IS SOMETHING OF  
VITAL IMPORTANCE THAT  
MUST BE DONE AND YOU  
ARE THE ONLY MAN I  
CAN TRUST!

ANS ?  
ZORRO  
TRUSTS  
ME ?



AT SUNRISE TOMORROW, I WANT YOU TO  
TAKE FOUR OR FIVE LANCERS AND RIDE  
TO MANGEL RANCH! I WILL TURN OVER  
TO YOU ALL THE KIERS OF STOLEN GUNPOWDER  
AND YOU WILL RETURN THEM  
UNDER GUARD

TO OUR  
MARTIRED  
FREEDOMS!



OH, SI,  
SEÑOR  
ZORRO!  
BUT WHY  
DO YOU  
DO THIS  
FOR ME?

BECAUSE YOU'RE GOING TO  
HELP ME GET OUT OF HERE  
RIGHT NOW... AND IF YOU  
TRY ANY TRICKS, I WILL  
PUNCTURE YOU LIKE A  
BALLOON!



THE TWO MEN REACH THE GATE BUT SUDDEDLY CORPORAL REYES SHOT THEM...



ZORRO STARTS TO SPUR THROUGH THE OPEN GATES WHEN A LANCER ON THE WALL THROWS HIS REATH...



TWO MORE LANCERS CHARGE ZORRO AS HE FIGHTS HIS WAY TO HIS HORSE...



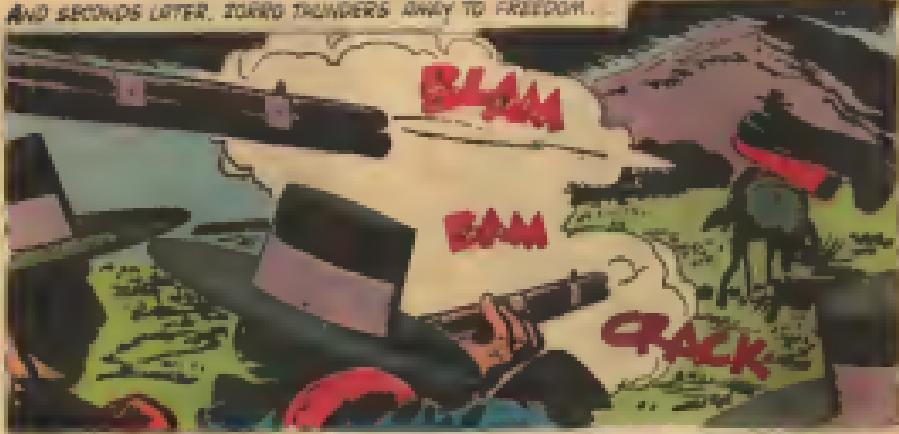
ZORRO CLEANS HIS FEET AND PULLS HARD ON THE ROPE...



ZORRO REACHES HIS HORSE AND MOUNTS...



AND SECONDS LATER, ZORRO THUNDERS AWAY TO FREEDOM...



THE NEXT MORNING, ZORRO TURNS THE STOLEN GUNPOWDER OVER TO GARCIA...

NOW, SERGEANT...GO QUICKLY! THIS GUNPOWDER MUST BE TAKEN NORTH IMMEDIATELY!

SI, SENOR, ZORRO! GRACIAS!



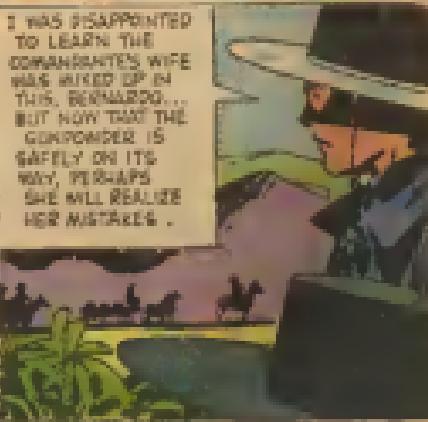
DAYS LATER, AT THE SAN FRANCISCO PRESIDIO...

BY COMPLIMENTS, SERGEANT GARCIA! YOU HAVE PERFORMED A GREAT SERVICE IN DISCOVERING THIS STOLEN GUNPOWDER! CALIFORNIA ITSELF MAY BE SAVED BECAUSE OF YOU!

IT WAS NOTHING, CAPITAN...



I WAS DISAPPOINTED TO LEARN THE COMMANDER'S WIFE WAS MIXED UP IN THIS, ZORRITO... BUT NOW THAT THE GUNPOWDER IS SAFELY ON ITS WAY, PERHAPS SHE WILL REALIZE HER MISTAKE...



I CANNOT HELP BUT BE GRATEFUL TO ZORRO! IF IT WERE NOT FOR HIM, GARCIA WOULD NOT BE SUCH AN IMPORTANT, HEROIC FELLOW... BUT STILL, THERE IS NO REASON TO TELL ANYONE... AFTER ALL, I COULD HAVE DONE IT ALONE...



# WALT DISNEY'S ZORRO

## THE VISITOR

ONE EVENING AT DON DIEGO'S Hacienda...

"IT SEEMS WE HAVE HAD A VISITOR,  
TERMANDO! ONE WHO DEPARTS IN  
A MOST STEALTHY MANNER!"





YOU REMAIN HERE, ELENA! BERNARDO AND I WILL SEE IF WE CAN CONTACT OUR FRIEND!

SI, DON DIEGO!



MOMENTS LATER, IN THE SECRET ROOM...

IT SEEMS OUR FRIEND, ERIC ZORRO, IS VERY EASY TO LOCATE. IS BERNARDO?



LOOK AFTER ELENA AND THE LITTLE ONE! I WILL RETURN SHORTLY!



ON TORNADO, THE GREAT BLACK STALLION, ZORRO RIDES THROUGH THE NIGHT...



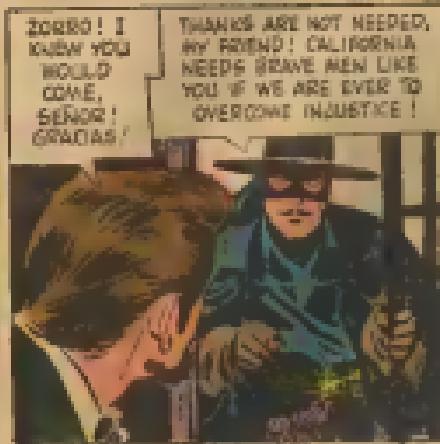
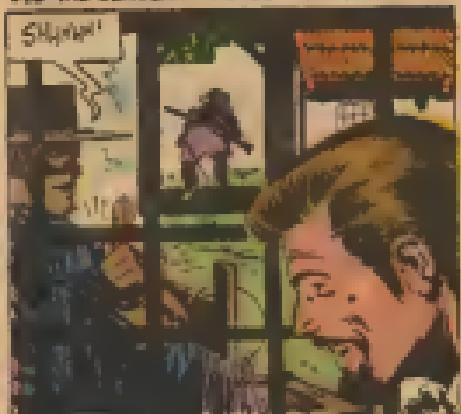
AND SOON, REACHES THE HIDE OF THE CLOUTIER.

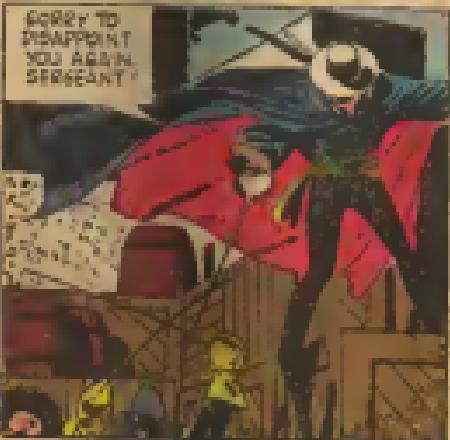
AH! NO ONE IN SIGHT!





AS THE SERGEANT MOVES AWAY . . .





OH, NO! HE DID IT AGAIN! WAIT UNTIL  
THE COMMANDANTS HEARS THIS NEWS!  
...ZORRO!



LATER...

DON DIEGO!  
DO YOU HAVE  
ANY LUCK?

NO, ISLENA! I  
AM AFRAID MY  
FRIEND COULD  
DO NOTHING!

THEN SUDDENLY...

JOSÉ! ZORRO FREED  
ME! HE SAID  
I WOULD FIND  
YOU AND THE  
LITTLE ONE  
HERE!



BUT HOW  
DID HE  
KNOW?

HOW DOES ZORRO KNOW  
ANYTHING? I DO NOT QUESTION  
HIS WAYS! I AM MYSTIFIED BY  
THE MAN...LIKE EVERYONE ELSE!



# YANKEE TRADERS FLOATING STORES



While the sailing ships of European nations saw little reason to stop at the scattered coast towns and ranches of Old California, shrewd Yankee traders out of Boston made each tiny hamlet a part of call.



Suspicious of these strangers at first, only the bravest Californians would venture out to visit the ships, while their wives and children prayed for their safe return.



But when they discovered they would be treated fairly, entire families came on board to admire the long trim ships with the clouds of canvas overhead.



Below decks they discovered regular shops, set up and stocked with precious items such as silk, silver, jewelry, and perfume. These were rare items in California.



In return for these wares the Californians traded hides and tallow from their ranches in the hills...a prolific exchange for both sides. And California trade was born.



Best Wishes  
Guy Williams  
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